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LD 253

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and members of the judiciary,

My name is Deborah Crump, I live in West Paris and am submitting this testimony in opposition of LD 253, An Act to Prevent the MaineCare Program from Covering Abortion Services.

As a Unitarian Universalist and a person of faith, I believe in the inherent worth and dignity of all, and that a woman has the right to make the decisions about her body/her life and whether it is the right time to bear a child. So many factors go into making such an important decision which I do not think women take lightly. Abortion care is health care and those with the least means depend on MaineCare for their health care. Our state has historically supported women in making this most important decision for herself and her family. Please continue to keep safe abortion care available to all Mainers.

I strongly urge the committee to unanimously oppose this legislation.